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TOPIC Haina AirfieldEVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

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DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED]DATE PREPARED 25 May 1954REFERENCES [REDACTED]PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]REMARKS This is UNEVALUATED

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1. Between 17 and 26 March 1954, source observed that the block houses in the rear section of Hainaer Holz which had formerly been used by the Soviets were torn down in connection with the previously reported boring activity in the area of Haina airfield.

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2. [REDACTED] there were plans for the construction of an airfield in the Hainaer Holz with a concrete runway more than 2 km long.
3. A track was newly laid on the dismantled Grossbehringen-Friedrichswerth-Eberstaedt-Dufleben railroad line. A branch line was scheduled to be laid north of Friedrichswerth toward Haina by 1 June 1954. An estimated 200 men were employed in the laying of rails.

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. It is believed that regarding the building project at Haina airfield the construction staff of the VPL (Aeroclub) represents the Soviet construction headquarters from Werder vis-a-vis the Bauminion Sued within the Ministry of the Interior. The Soviet construction headquarters in Werder is the actual contractor of the construction project.

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